

WOULD YOU LIKE SOMETHING BUMSTEAD, TO EAT, COURTNEY?

NO THANKS, WE'RE JUST GETTING DRINKS, DAD.

I KNEW YOUR MOM WAS A CATERER, BUT I DIDN'T KNOW YOUR DAD WAS, TOO.

WELL, I GUESS HE IS... BUT HE'S ONLY GOT ONE CUSTOMER.

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I CAN'T BELIEVE I LET SOME STUPID SWEEPSTAKES WASTE MY VALUABLE TIME WITH THEIR PHONY OFFER.

LIKE THEY WOULD GIVE ME A TON OF CASH OUT OF THE BLUE. PLEASE.

AFTER ALL, THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS "MONEY FOR NOTHING," RIGHT?

IF YOU DON'T COUNT THE MODELING BUSINESS.

NEIL PATRICK HARRIS

STRANGE-- NO NEWS ABOUT SPIDER-MAN LATELY.

LET'S DO A SIGNATURE THAT'll NAIL HIM TO THE WALL!

COUNT ME OUT, JONAH! I STILL THINK HE'S ONE OF THE GOOD GUYS!

BAH! YOU'D THINK ATTILA THE HUN WAS A FUN-LOVING FRANKSTER!

THERE'S ONLY ONE PROBLEM
 WITH BEING A DOG...

IN THE ABSENCE OF HANDS,
 WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT
 TO CARRY AN ENORMOUS
 VARIETY OF DISGUSTING
 MATTER IN OUR MOUTHS.

IT'S NICE THAT HUMANS
 ARE SO HAPPY TO LET
 US LICK THEIR FACES
 ANY TIME WE PLEASE.

YES, IT DOES
 RATHER CLEANSE
 THE PALATE.

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DOESN'T IT BOTHER YOU, ME BEING ENGAGED AND YOU BEING A MARRIED MAN?

I SUPPOSE THERE IS A LOT TO BE SAID FOR FIDELITY—

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GRR-RRR

AND LOOKS LIKE WE'RE GOING TO GET IT

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HAGAR! WHAT ARE YOU DOING? WHERE ARE YOU GOING? WHO TAUGHT YOU TO SAIL?

WHY DID YOU BRING HELGA ALONG?

THE RECRUITS NEED TO BE EXPOSED TO SOME REAL HARDSHIPS

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IT'S NO USE, NO ONE'S GOING TO BUY US FROM A PET STORE.

LET'S TRY TO THINK OF SOME SORT OF SALES ANGLE.

HEY..I'VE GOT AN IDEA!

LOOK, MOM... DEAD PETS FOR HALF PRICE!

1/2 OFF

SHAP

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"Now it's even okay for sheep to be gambling in the meadow."

"Good news! Pepsi said they'd buy my \$15 million ad campaign for \$1.98!"

Actor **Hume Cronyn** is 87. South African President **Nelson Mandela** is 80. Sen. **John Glenn**, D-Ohio, is

pion and commen-
tator **Dick Button**
is 69. Singer
Screamin' Jay
Hawkins is 69.
Actor **James Brolin**
is 58. Singer **Mar-**
tha Reeves is 57.
Blues guitarist **Lon-**
nie Mack is 57.
Singer **Ricky**
Skaggs is 44. Ac-
tress **Audrey Land-**
ers is 39. Actress
Elizabeth McGov-
ern is 37. Rock mu-
sician **Jack Irons**
(Pearl Jam) is 36.

D ₂	Y ₄	E ₁	E ₁	E ₁	R ₁

Double
Word Score

C ₃	U ₁	J ₄	N ₁	R ₁	E ₁	O ₁
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4th Letter
Triple

T ₁	E ₁	I ₄	E ₁	M ₄	R ₁	P ₃

Y ₄	D ₂	L ₁	N ₁	A ₁	A ₁	R ₁

PACK 1

PACK 2

PACK 3

PACK 4

PAR SCORE 145-155

by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL

TIME LIMIT - 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. *Shorter words get 50-point bonus. *Blank tiles used as any letter have no point value. *All Judd words are in *The Official Scrabble Players Dictionary* (Merriam-Webster) and *OSW Official Scorable Words* (Chambers). **JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW**

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Dresses and skirts

D Q N K H E B Y W T R O L E J
G E B Y W U R P N K I G D L R
B Z X V S **MINISKIRTE** E
Q O M K I G E C E S A Y W R P
U S Q G P N H T A E H S O I M
U L M J N H T L F R L F E K U
C U A U Y O X I D D A V U S J
S Q M T L P R K N N M N M A K
J H F U E P C A I W R B Z L Y
X V C T U U E P S T O I R U Q
P O M L K M I P H G F G D H E

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Saturday's unlisted clue hint: **BALLERINA'S SKIRT**

Collette	Gown	Kirtle	Pinafore
Direld	Hula skirt	Minskirt	Sarong
Dress	Jumper	Muumuu	Sheath
Formal	Kilt	Peplum	

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For solution, see Classified.

By Bobby Wolff

"Sorry, partner," apologized South. "Two finesses had to be offside for me to fail." "My fault," needed North. "I had the wrong queen." As North had all four queens, what was the meaning of his whimsical reply? South won dummy's diamond queen and drew trumps. After cashing two more diamonds, discarding a spade from dummy, South took a losing club finesse. East returned his club 10 to dummy's ace, and South tried a spade finesse. He led low from dummy, losing his nine to West's 10. There was no way to avoid two more spade losers, and South could win only five tricks. With all North's four queens contributed to South's downfall? It was the club queen. Without it, South would probably have recognized a relatively simple maneuver to make his game. After winning the first diamond in dummy and drawing trumps, South should cash the ace and king of diamonds. On the third diamond, he discards dummy's low club. (A flamboyant South discards the club queen!) Preparations complete, South leads to dummy's club ace and concedes a club. Regardless of which defender wins this trick, South gets either a ruff and sluff or the benefit of a spade lead. Either way, South loses only three tricks and scores his game. In today's temptation-loaded layout, a winning finesse might land an over-trick, trapping the opponents cringes the game.

NORTH
♠ Q 8 6 3
♥ Q J 9 3
♦ Q 7
♣ A Q 6

WEST
♠ A 10 2
♥ 7 4
♦ J 10 9 5
♣ J 7 5 2

EAST
♠ K 7 4
♥ 5 2
♦ 8 4 3 2
♣ K 10 9 8

SOUTH
♠ J 9 5
♥ A K 10 8 6
♦ A K 6
♣ 4 3

Vulnerable North-South
Dealer: South

The bidding

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4 ♦	Pass	4 ♥	All pass

Opening lead Diamond jack

No. 0606

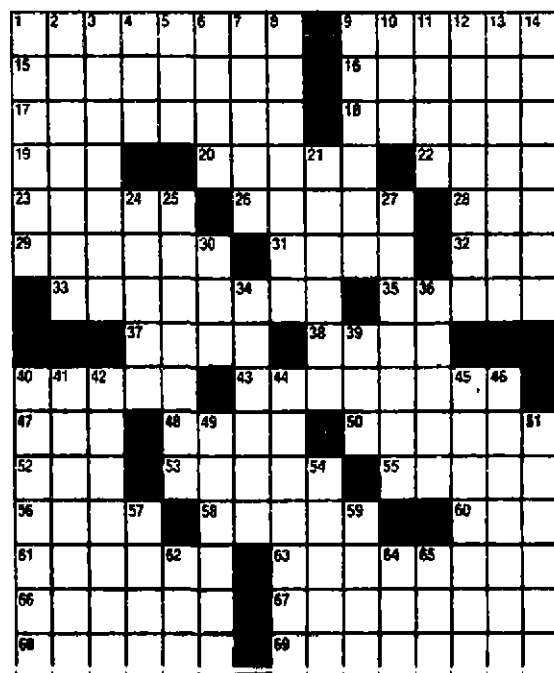
1 Loses data, in a way

- 9 Relief
- 15 Describing the Viper rocket
- 16 Natural gas component
- 17 When shadows disappear
- 18 Gained
- 19 Like "see," in grammar Abbr
- 20 "Sonnets to Orpheus" poet
- 22 Chip maker
- 23 "Watership Down" novelist Richard
- 26 Swindled
- 28 Diversion

- 29** Smooth connections
31 Most eligible
32 Two can take this
33 Fix, as a bow
35 Passes (out)
37 "This ____"
 (1979 Loggins hit)
38 Experience
40 Thumb
43 Totally out of it
- 60** One of Hollywood's "big five," once
61 Inspired a lot?
63 Zapper predecessor
66 Chloral hydrate, e.g.
67 Open swath in a forest
68 Looked out for
83 Kind of order to a broker

- 1 Rages
- 2 Called for
- 3 Memory, in a manner of speaking
- 4 Bygone auto ornament
- 5 Defense and electronics giant
- 6 Animal house
- 7 "The _____ near"
- 8 Sheriff Deadeye creator
- 9 Peaceful

SEATED COHERENT
ENTIRE ILOVEYOU
ATHROB REDALEYOT
BREADS CAAN BET
LAINE KURD YALU
UPSDATSISY MULCT
EST REP MELLOSO
ANKLEBONE
JESSES RUN NIP
EXIST AFRIKAANS
APAT AHoy ERICA
ONEALARM UNBENT
USSMAINE NEISSE
SEEAFTER SLATER



Puzzle by Rich Norris

- | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 45 Aggressive type, supposedly | 57 Not much |
| 46 Repulses | 58 Rookie |
| 49 Hidden from view | 62 Verano, across the Pyrénées |
| 51 Coasts | 64 Vigor |
| 54 Kind of ticket | 66 Solely |

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